

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

MESSADEK, Jallal

Serial No. 09/945,391 Filed: August 31, 2001

Title: GLYCINE BETAINE AND ITS USE

Box Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

LETTER REGARDING SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts" dated October 9, 2001 (copy appended), applicant submitted the following documents timely on December 10, 2001:

- 1. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by MESSADEK, Jallal; and
- 2. A check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the surcharge in connection with the late filing of the Declaration.

In the submission, applicant is claimed the benefit of small entity status, and authorized that deposit account 19-0522 be charged for any additional fees due in connection with the submission. Applicant filed the application paying the fees for a large entity, and does not now wish to claim the benefit of small entity status. Accordingly, applicant submits herewith a check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the difference in the surcharge between small entity status and large entity status in connection with the late filing of the Declaration and in the event this amount has not already been charged to the aforementioned deposit account. If any extension is required, please consider this letter as a petition for a one-month extension. Should any further fees be required, the Office is authorized to deduct the same from Deposit Account No. 19-0552.

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JAN 0 9 2002 & Should the Office have any questions in connection with this submission, they may be directed to the undersigned at 1-800-445-3460.

Respectfully submitted,

HOVEY, WILLIAMS, TIMMONS & COLLINS

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Applicant(s): MESSADEK, Jallal

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